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1.8a).**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed January 23, 2004, Figures 1 and 2 are hereby elected subject to traverse. Claims 1-4 and 9-14 are generic, and claim 7 is directed to Figures 1 and 2 and 7 and 8.

The undersigned is unaware of any oral election request.

Other than the existence of multiple embodiments, the Examiner has not indicated any reason for restriction. From a simple review of issued patents, claims directed to multiple embodiments are often included, and the mere existence of multiple embodiments is not a basis for restriction. In this regard, the Examiner has not indicated that the fields of search are different, that any extra effort would be required for searching or examination, or the like.

Thus, for patent office economics and efficiencies, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

Favorable consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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